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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

As will be appreciated, European Document No. 1 026 578, which is listed on the Office Action, is not included herewith because it was previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement of March 8, 2006.

Applicant certifies under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in the subject information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication

from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. Specifically, this document was first cited in a European Office Action dated March 30, 2009, in a corresponding European patent application. A copy of the Office Action that issued on that related application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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